<u>Forest Land- Mumbai Suburban & Raigad</u>
Diversion 0f 22.9648 ha of forest land in favour of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd., Mumbai for installation of polypropylene unit at Rasayani and construction of underground petroleum pipeline with OFC and its associated facilities from Mahul (Mumbai Suburban District) to Rasayani (Raigad District) in the State of Maharashtra.

Government of Maharashtra
Revenue and Forest Department
Government Order No.: FLD- 1320/C.R.225/F-10
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032.
Date: 10.03.2025

Ref.:

1) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/NC/II/ID-12802/(71)/370/2020-21, dt.13.08.2020.
2) Revenue and Forest Department, Government of Maharashtra, Government letter No. FLD- 1320/C.R.225/F-10, dt.26.03.2021.
3) Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter FC-II/MH-163/2021-NGP/10134, dt. 10.08.2022.
4) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/S2/PID-39455/Thane/2539/2023-24, dt.30.11.2023.
5) Revenue and Forest Department, Government of Maharashtra, Government letter No. FLD- 1320/C.R.225/F-10, dt.12.12.2023.
6) Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter FC-II/MH-163/2021-NGP/12669, dt. 22.12.2023.
7) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/FCA/S2/PID-39455/Thane/2023-24/1792, dt.08.11.2024.

Order :

Whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide his letter under reference No.1 has submitted a proposal for Diversion 0f 22.9648 ha of forest land in favour of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd., Mumbai for installation of polypropylene unit at Rasayani and construction of underground petroleum pipeline with OFC and its associated facilities from Mahul (Mumbai Suburban District) to Rasayani (Raigad District) in the State of Maharashtra;

AND whereas, the State Government vide under letter reference No.2 has sent the proposal for approval of Regional Officer (Central) Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur;

AND whereas, the Government of India after due consideration, vide letter under reference No.3, accorded 'In-principle' approval to divert the 22.9648 ha. forest Land for the above project under section 2 Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. The said approval is subject to fulfillment of certain conditions by the User Agency;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide letter under reference No.4 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of Maharashtra;

AND whereas, the State Government vide letter under reference No.5 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of India;

AND whereas, the Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur, vide under reference no. 6 accorded 'Final approval' to divert the 22.9648 ha of forest land in favour of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd., Mumbai for installation of polypropylene unit at Rasayani and construction of underground petroleum pipeline with OFC and its associated facilities from Mahul (Mumbai Suburban District) to Rasayani (Raigad District) in the State of Maharashtra under section 2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.7 has requested State Government to issue diversion order in the matter;

NOW, therefore, Government of Maharashtra hereby directs that the area of 22.9648 ha. consisting of Mangroves (Un-notified), Finally Acquired Private Forest, Restored Private Forest, Unclassed Forest, Reserved forest Land more specifically described in the proposal submitted vide letter under reference No. 1 and as per details given in the Schedule given below, be diverted to the User Agency, i.e. Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd., Mumbai for installation of polypropylene unit at Rasayani and construction of underground petroleum pipeline with OFC and its associated facilities from Mahul (Mumbai Suburban District) to Rasayani (Raigad District) in the State of Maharashtra.

The diversion shall be effected subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the letter dated 10.08.2022 and dated 22.12.2023 of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur. This approval for diversion of forest land is also subject to compliance of following conditions by the User Agency-

1. Deputy Conservator of Forest, Alibag should ensure that fulfillment of condition No. ii mentioned in the letter dated 22.12.2023 of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur before giving possession of the forest land to the user agency.

2. User Agency shall comply with all the conditions stipulated in the 'in-principle' and 'final approval' letters of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur, referred above. The Conservator of Forests (T), Thane shall ensure the strict compliance of the conditions by the User Agency and shall furnish the report in this regard to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur from time to time.

3. Non-compliance of any of the conditions mentioned in Regional Office, MoEF&CC letters dated 10.08.2022 and dated 22.12.2023, in this order and Rules & Guidelines made / issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, shall amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken accordingly.

4. In case of non-compliance of any of the above conditions, the Conservator of Forests (T), Thane shall report through the State Government to the Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur as per procedure laid down in guidelines under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

Schedule

Sr. No	District	Taluka	Village	Details of Forest Land					
				Survey No.	Length(m)	Av. Width (m)	Area Sq.mt	Area in Ha.	Legal Status of Land
1	Raigad	Panvel	Creek		980.77	56	54923.12	5.4923	Mangroves (Un-notified)
2	Raigad	Panvel	Creek	-	271.74	56	15217.44	1.5217	Mangroves (Un-notified)
3	Raigad	Panvel	Ulwe	100	219.95	56	8933.00	0.8933	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				98	3.15	56	1029.00	0.1029	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				97		56	953.00	0.0953	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				95	7.64 138.91	56 24	3758.00	0.3758	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				51	33.12	24	726.00	0.0726	Finally Acquired Private Forest
4	Raigad	Panvel	Sonkhar	1/3	99.90	56	3448.00	0.3448	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				1/5	In Rou	56	517.00	0.0517	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				1/8	22.11	56	1020.00	0.1020	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				1/11	5.80	56	1323.00	0.1323	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				1/20	30.76	56	978.00	0.0978	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				3/2	56.70	56	2450.00	0.2450	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				3/8	In Rou	56	15.00	0.0015	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/1	59.41	24	1303.00	0.1303	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/7	8.14	24	204.00	0.0204	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/26	27.87	24	633.00	0.0633	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/10	In Rou	24	200.00	0.0200	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/11	15.00	24	163.00	0.0163	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/12	63.48	24	1499.00	0.1499	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/13	In Rau	24	123.00	0.0123	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/25	In Rau	24	5.00	0.0005	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/16	In Rau	24	5.00	0.0005	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/17	In Rau	24	221.00	0.0221	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/18	In Rau	24	134.00	0.0134	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/23	22.80	24	270.00	0.0270	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/22	13.75	24	228.00	0.0228	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/20	19.76	24	429.00	0.0429	Mangroves (Un-notified)

				16/19	In Rau	24	5.00	0.0005	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/21	6.00	24	327.00	0.0327	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				16/24	5.43	24	68.00	0.0068	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				15/2	In Rau	24	77.00	0.0077	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				15/4	14.59	24	332.00	0.0332	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				15/6	27.85	24	798.00	0.0798	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				15/11	45.91	24	1013.00	0.1013	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				15/10	45.84	24	871.00	0.0871	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				15/12	In Rau	24	51.00	0.0051	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				15/13	5.55	24	245.00	0.0245	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				15/14	In Rau	24	119.00	0.0119	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				20/5	In Rau	24	31.00	0.0031	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				20/1	48.20	24	924.00	0.0924	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				20/2	1.35	24	36.00	0.0036	Mangroves (Un-notified)
5	Raigad	Panvel	Owale	193	373.25	24	8991.00	0.8991	Section -4 R.F
				173	100.11	24	1916.00	0.1916	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				174	42.50	24	1028.00	0.1028	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				175	41.45	24	1013.00	0.1013	Mangroves (Un-notified)
				Creek	62.11	24	1542.00	0.1542	Mangroves (Un-notified)
6	Raigad	Panvel	Paragaon Dungi	7	13.62	24	338.00	0.0338	Mangroves (Un-notified)
7	Raigad	Panvel	Karanjade	52/4	98.16	24	2355.84	0.2356	Restored Private Forest
				52/1	17.50	24	685.00	0.0685	Restored Private Forest
8	Raigad	Panvel	Sirdhon	115	488.00	24	11712.00	1.1712	Unclassed Forest
9	Raigad	Panvel	Somtane	132	119.00	24	3359.00	0.3359	Section -4 R.F
10	Raigad	Panvel	Narpoli	R.F	54.30	24	1531.00	0.1531	Reserved Forest
				173	269.75	24	6308.00	0.6308	Section -4 R.F
11	Raigad	Panvel	Devloli Budruk	99	225.96	24	5253.00	0.5253	Reserved Forest
Total (A) Alibag Division 151636.40								**15.1636**	
12	Mumbai Suburban	Kurla	Mahul	638 Part	56.00	10	560.00	0.0560	Mangrove including mudflat u/s.4 of IFA
				638 Part	110.00	10	1100.00	0.1100	
				638 Part	100.15	10	1001.48	0.1001	
				638 Part	200.89	40	8035.48	0.8035	
				638 Part	252.07	56.00	14115.81	1.4116	
				638 Part	950.00	56.00	53200.00	5.3200	Mangroves (Un-notified)
Total (B) Mangrove Cell's								**7.8012**	
Grand Total (A+B)								**22.9648**	

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

GANESH TUKARAM JADHAO

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Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra

Copy to:

1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi
2. Deputy Director General of Forest (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.

3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
5. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, M.S., Nagpur
6. APCCF& Chief Executive Officer (Maha-CAMPA), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
7. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), M.S., Nagpur
8. Collector, Raigad & Mumbai Suburban
9. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Raigad.
10. Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Thane.
11. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag.
12. Divisional Forest Officer, Mumbai Mangrove Conservation Unit, Mumbai
13. The General Manager, Pipeline (Projects), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. Mumbai.
14. Select File, Desk F-10.

I. Collector- Raigad & Mumbai Suburban, Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Raigad and Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag & Divisional Forest Officer, Mumbai Mangrove Conservation Unit, Mumbai are hereby directed to forward the copy of this order to concerned Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats, Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government and they shall also ensure the display of this order on their notice board as well as on the notice board of local self-government bodies for the information of general public.

II. The General Manager, Pipeline (Projects), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. Mumbai, is hereby directed that they should publish the entire order of forest clearances granted in verbatim along with the details of Survey No., Gut No., area and legal status of each Survey, Gut No. etc., along with the conditions and safe guards imposed by the State Government while granting forest clearances in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and other in English language. Copy of the Newspapers be submitted to Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Thane, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag & Divisional Forest Officer, Mumbai Mangrove Conservation Unit, Mumbai.

III. Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government are hereby directed to display the same on their notice board for 30 days from the date of receipt for the information of general public.